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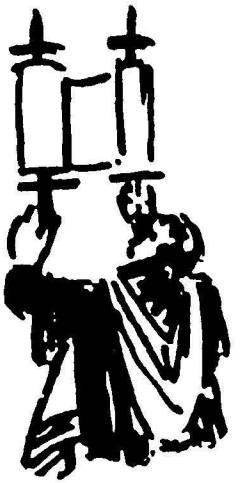
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We wish the Karaite Jews of America a Very Happy New Year Full of Good Health, Happiness & Peace



President Letter

Dear Friends,

It is hard to believe that it has been 2 years since we have purchased our new synagogue. In fact , we will be celebrating our 3rd holiday season during the next few weeks. Before I go on with my normal update, I would like to thank Oreett Moussa and Nora Massuda for taking over the major task of republishing the KJA bulletin. I hope they continue to do so on a regular basis. Our community needs to know what is happening.

I want to take a moment of your time to briefly update you on some of the events that have occurred since my last letter.

On June 21, 1996, we held the KJA annual Picnic in a beautiful park in the city of Mountain View. On August 4th, The KJA 6-11 & 12-16 camps were held in Donner Lake. Judging from the feed back we have received, both events were very successful. On August 10, the Rabbi of Shir-Hadash temple of Los Gatos California and a group of 10 congregates have visited our Synagogue to learn about our traditions and customs. On August 24th, my son Joshua Daniel held his Bar Mitzvah in the Synagogue.

During the next few weeks, you will be receiving a package explaining the major projects that we were asked to investigate and possibly implement. You will have a chance to voice your opinion and provide us with comments on the priority of the projects. I encourage each of you to fill out the package and send it back to us.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to wish you a very happy and prosperous new year, 5757.

Sincerely,

Maurice Pessah
President, KJA

K.J.A Picnic

First I want to say thank you to all of you who help this past summer for our annual KJA picnic, which was held on June 22, 1996. However, for everyone else who just could not make it to the "KJA" picnic, you missed a wonderful time!

There was loads of food and fun. The activities ranged from balloon tossing to raffles. The festival started around 10:30 am at Rengstorff Park in Mountain View. The food was great.

The highlights of the day was Joseph Rasson of Danvielle, California winning the grand prize of our raffle. It was a Sony Walkman. Also the balloon tossing was outstanding with everyone being splashed and soaked.

Overall it was a great day, the weather was perfect and everyone walked away full and feeling good about kicking off an event that has a very bright future.



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K.J.A Camp

On Aug. 4th Elie Moussa and the KJA 7-16 gang were on there way to Trukee, Lake Tahoe for a whole week. By his side were Joe Moussa, Magda Ovadia, Zaki Jacob and waiting for him at the cabin was Mira Pessah and the wonderful cook Denise Ezial. The councilors who went, Oreett Moussa, Nora Massuda, Nora Hartman, Michael Ovadia, and Avi Moussa helped out a great deal with the younger kids and also had a fabulous time. The campers also had a wonderful within them were, Albert Kheder, Lilly Lichaa, Shawn Rasson, Elana Moussa, David Ovadia, Debbie Ovadia, Joel Massuda, Micheal Pessah, Gabriel Pessah, Jonah Sinick, Natan Ovadia, Amy Rasson, Sheila Pessah, Rachel Moussa, Ryan Pessah, Nicholas Pessah, and Elliot Pessah. They all arrived safely on Sunday afternoon to get cabin and group assignments and unpack. Monday was a very relaxing day in hot sun and rocky waters at Kings beach. That night everyone went to play BINGO at the Trukee Recreation Center. Unfortunately even though all 28 of us played the many different games there were no winners. Tuesday the whole gang went to Wild Waters, the water park in Reno and had a blast from daring water slides, to dodging the rugged waves in the wave pool, and even the bumper car racing that was outside the park, which everyone who went on it really enjoyed. Tuesday night every one was given a T-shirt with the KJA logo to decorate if they wanted to. The campers were also given a wonderful SHALOM plaster picture for all of the kids to paint. All art and crafts were conducted by Mira Pessah. Wednesday was a semi relaxing day. The campers woke up later than usual for a fun filled exciting, few hours of spending money and winning prizes at Circus Circus. Thursday was a new adventure for the KJA gang. The group took a cable tram from the valley floor up to an altitude of 8200 feet to visit the eighth wonder of the world. They enjoyed a day of Ice Skating, and swimming at the luxurious resort of Squaw Valley USA. That night there was a camp fire where there was singing and dancing and lots of fun. The group was taught a line dance called the "Macarena" which everyone including adults enjoyed. On Friday it was a kind of "Do what you want" day. The camp split with half going to the Kings Beach craft fair, while the other half went to the club house for a day of Archery, ping pong, volleyball, four on the floor (bustra) tournament, and swimming. Services were held that night at sundown led by Avi Moussa, which the kids presented what they learned all week. We started of Saturday with the Shabbat service led by Elie Moussa. After the service the kids had a traditional brunch, Fool (fava beans), pita bread, and salad. That afternoon was the annual talent show. Kids had a chance to make up skits, poems, plays, and tricks. That night was the farewell party. Where the kids had a blast dancing to there favorite songs. Sunday was the beginning of the four hour drive back home to reality and normal life which not many of them were looking forward to.

From the editors

To Our Congregation

I had the chance to be the director for the KJA camp 96 and other years before. I would like to take this opportunity to appreciate and thank the many friends and relatives at this time. First of all I would like to thank Denise Ezial for her delicious food which everybody loved very much. And thanks to Amin Ezial for helping Denise . I hope to see you both next year. I would like to thank Zaki Jacob for his energetic spirit with the children. Joe Moussa for his participation with the children and educating the younger generation about our Karaite tradition and history. I would like to thank Mira Pessah for her art work, the children made Mezouza to hang on the right side of their door and a sign that said SHALOM which the kids decorated, also the shirts which they designed. I would like to thank Magda Ovadia for her effort and understanding for the needs of the children. I won't forget all the younger volunteers who took care of the campers. Oreett Moussa with her preparation for the camp. Nora Massuda for their help, Michael Ovadia, Avi Moussa putting the study book together, and Nora Hartman with her lovely jokes. Next I would like to thank friends and family who donated their vans Joe & Remy Pessah, Jean & Abe Massuda, and Magda Ovadia. Also all the family and friend who helped out and made the camp successful.

In conclusion I would like to thank all the campers for participating in the camp, I hope we will be seeing you next year and for the people who couldn't come to the camp we hope to see you next year.

Shalom Elie Moussa



(names listed in article above)

Poems & Pictures

The poems below were presented to the adult volunteers. (in no particular order)

Uncle, uncle, uncle Elie
you are the best we will ever see.
Organizing camp KJA,
It isn't very easy wouldn't you say.
We hope that you will never quit,
because camp KJA is a really big hit.

Joe, Joe, you are so patient,
but first we have to asses the situation.
Lets all rise for judge Joe,
The answers are what this judge knows.
In the car or on the run,
you are always lots of fun.



Talent Show: Oreett Moussa and Gabriel Pessah

Mira Mira on the wall,
who's the artist of them all.
You, you, you are the one
Who makes art lots of fun.
Even though you are so tough,
This is why we love you much.
So 1,2,3,4
Pick your clothes right off the floor
And go give Mira a great big kiss
Who we will truely truely miss.

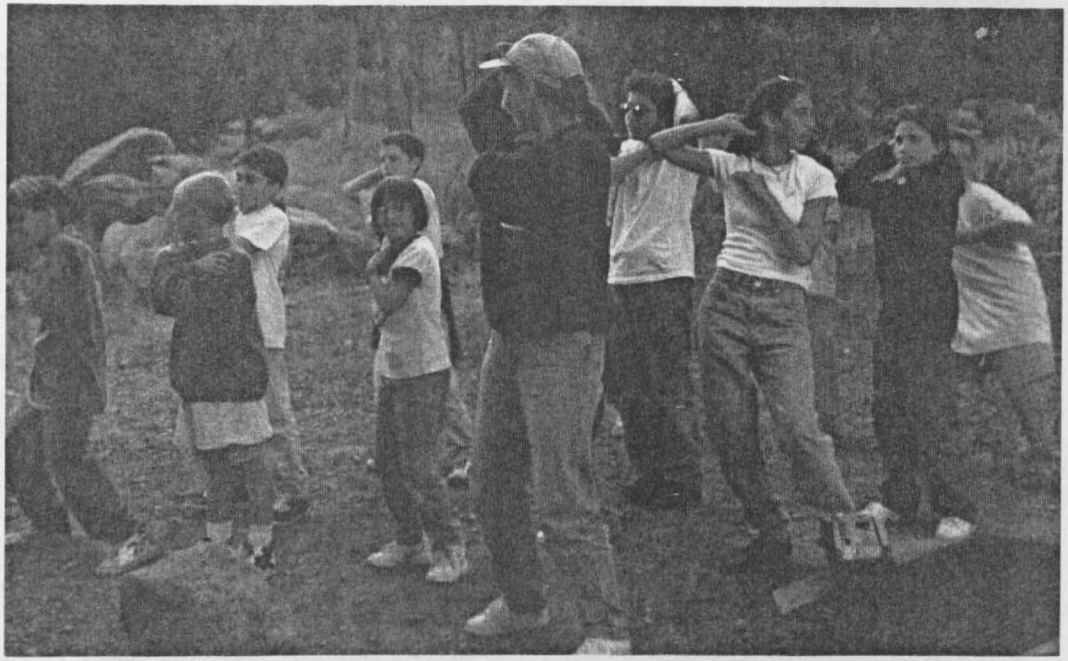
Denise Denise you are the best,
You cook much better than the rest.
You cooking is #1,
In a contest you would beat everyone.
Its not to spicey or to sweet
Your cooking is always magnafic
We always give you hugs and kisses
And now we hope that you will never miss us

Magda, Magda your so sweet,
Even though you are petite.
Even though we are the same size,
You always make us touch the sky.
Magda Magda your so cute,
That is why we never mute.
Even though we make fun of your hieght,
Your face is always light and bright.

Zaki, Zaki, let's go pray,
And help us out to start the day.
Zaki, you're the one who knows
Every prayer and how it goes.
We give much thanks for volunteering
And we hope you didn't loose your hearing.
So we hope that next year you'll return
To help us pray and help us learn.



Adult Volunteers (left to right) Magda Ovadia, Mira Pessah, Elie Moussa, Denise Ezial, Zaki Jacob, & Joe Moussa



Macarena Dance (Left to right, Top to bottom) Shawn Rasson, David Ovadia, Mike Pessah, Joel Massuda, Amy Rasson, Oreett Moussa, Elana Moussa, Nora Massuda, Debbie Ovadia, and Gabriel Pessah



Squaw Valley Tram

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(Around the table, left to right) Jacob Moussa, Albert Khedr, Nora Massuda, Esther El Kodsi, Zaki El Kodsi, David Moussa, Josh Pessah, And Oreett Moussa

Dear K.J.A. Members,
We are trying to have a camp, we need your help to make this camp successful.
If you can help in anyway please call Oreett Moussa at (415)572-8783. We need adult volunteers along with junior volunteers.



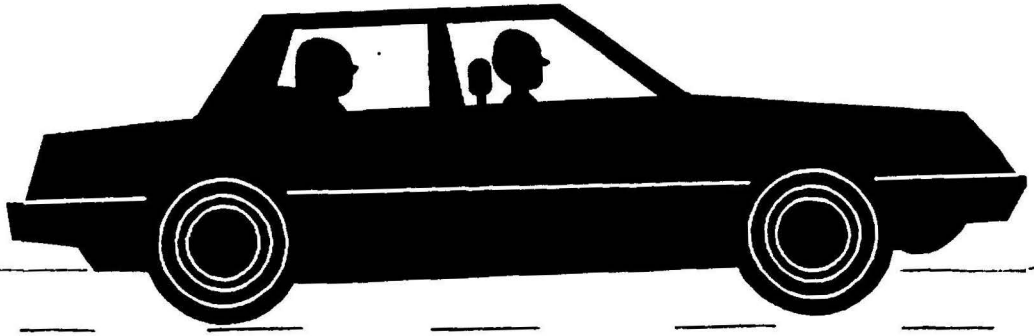
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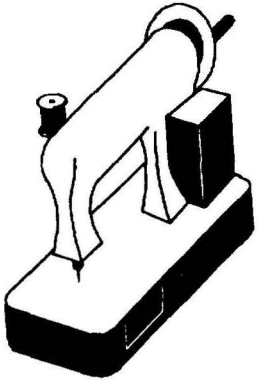
Residents of San Francisco area who need a ride to the temple on Saturday mornings, Please write your name, address, and how and when to be reached. We shall contact you, and try to match your needs with the suitable volunteer.

We need your co-operation by being ready in time.



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Recipe's of the Month



Betifur

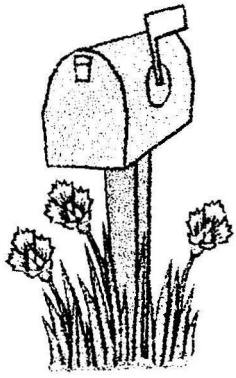
3 eggs
2 stick Margarin
1 cup sugar
1 tsp. Baking Powder
Vanilla
3-4 cups flour

Mix the sugar, eggs, & Margarin & vanilla together. Then add the flour & baking Powder.

Make own shapes and bake at 350° for about 20 mins.

IF YOU HAVE A FAVORITE RECEIPT AND WOULD LIKE TO SHARE IT WITH OTHERS PLEASE SEND IT TO NORA MASSUDA OR OREETT MOUSSA (SEE ADDRESSES OR E-MAIL ADDRESS ON PAGE 2)

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Rabbi Melanie Aron

Dear Cantor Persah,

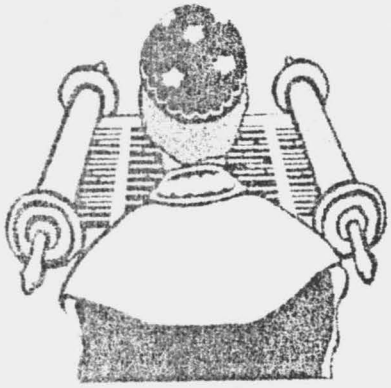
Thank you so much for your congregations hospitality this past Shabbat, and for the time you spent with us answering our questions. We really appreciated the warm welcome as well as the delicious lunch.

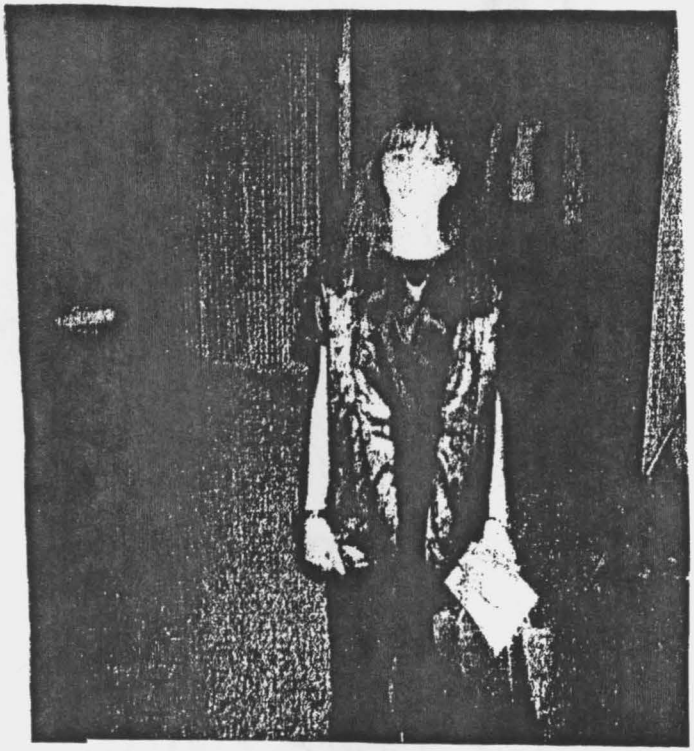
Please accept the enclosed donation towards your new prayerbooks.

Sincerely,

Mel

Bar & Bat Mitzvah*





Michelle Mangoubi, daughter of Nabih & Esther Mangoubi of Chicago, Illinois. Her Bat Mitzvah, was celebrated on June 7, 1996.

Joshua Pessah, son of Maurice & Lillian Pessah of San Jose, California, celebrated his Bar Mitzvah on August 24, 1996.

David Levy, son of Dr. Barouch & Trudy Levy of Olympia Fields, Illinois. His Bat Mitzvah was celebrated on May 4, 1996.



Weddings*

Samuel Saddik & Gina Marzouk were married on September 1, 1996 in New York.

Briths *



Mazal Tov to:
Dorite and Maurice Masliah for their new baby **Nevoh Ryan Masliah** born April 30, 1996 in Tokyo, Japan.

Graduations*

Lorna Lishaa	Maryland State, Maryland
Nancy Lishaa	Johns Hopkins, Maryland
Jacob Pessah	Los Gatos, California
Victor Khedr	San Bruno, California
Miranda Lishaa	Mitchelleville, Maryland
Dena Lishaa	Mitchelleville, Maryland



Zekher*

We remember the recent passing of

Yousseff El Kodsi	Cairo Egypt
Sabet Darwish	Bay area Ca.
Fourtune Helmy	Bay area Ca.
Bob Clary	Sacramento Ca.
Elie Cohen	Bay area Ca.
Richard Dubbner	Bay area Ca.
Fanny Pessah	Israel
Jacob Marzouk	Los Angeles, California

*Please inform us with any graduations, Weddings, Births, Bar or Bat Mitzvah or any other events that you would like us to announce.

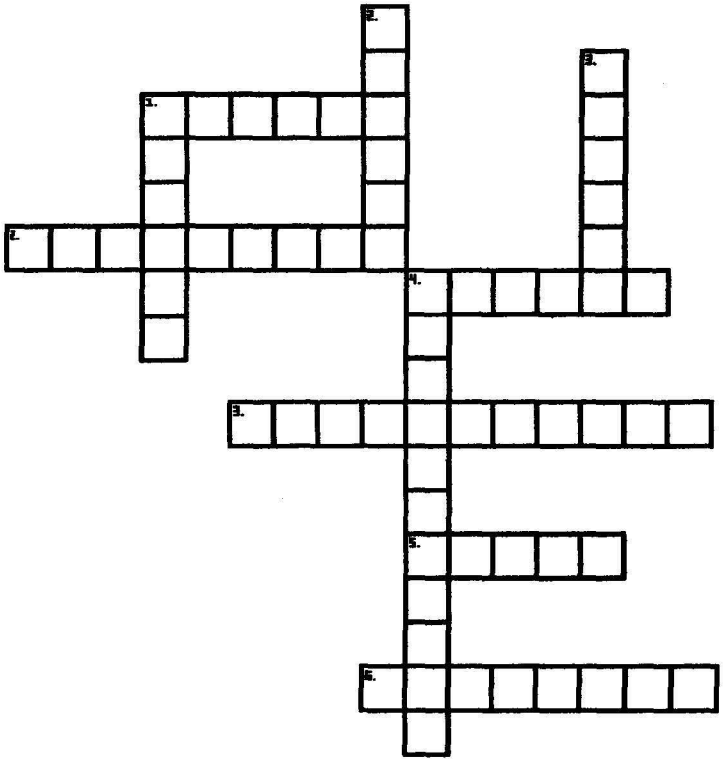
Jewish Holiday Calendar

SAT	SEP. 14	1 TISHRI	ROSH HASHANAH
MON	SEP. 10	10 TISHRI	YOM KIPPUR
SAT	SEP. 28	15 TISHRI	SUKKOT 1ST DAY
FRI	OCT. 4	22 TISHRI	SUKKOT 7TH DAY
SAT	OCT. 5	23 TISHRI	SIMHAT TORAH
MON	OCT. 14	1 CHESHVAN	
TUE	NOV. 12	1 KISLEV	
FRI	DEC. 6	25 KISLEV	CHANUKAH

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THR	JAN. 9	1 SHEVAT	
SAT	FEB. 8	1 ADAR I	ROSH HODESH
MON	MAR. 10	1 ADAR II	
SUN	MAR. 22	15 ADAR	
TUE.	APR. 8	1 NISSAN	
MON.	APR. 21	14 NISSAN	PESSAH EREV PESSAH 1ST SEDAR
TUE.	APR. 22	15 NISSAN	PESSAH FIRST DAY
SAT.	APR. 26	19 NISSAN	CHOL HAMOED
MON.	APR. 28	21 NISSAN	PESSAH LAST DAY
SAT.	MAY 3	26 NISSAN	SHEBAA SHABBATOT 1ST SATURDAY
THR.	MAY 8	1 IYAR	
FRI.	JUN 6	1 SIVAN	
SUN	JUN 15	10 SIVAN	SHAVUOT
SUN.	JUL 6	1 TAMMUZ	
MON.	JUL 14	9 TAMMUZ	FAST DAY
MON.	AUG 4	1 AV	
SUN.	AUG 10	7 AV	FAST DAY
WED.	AUG 13	10 AV	FAST DAY
WED.	SEP 3	1 ELUL	
THR.	OCT 2	1 TISHRI	ROSH HASHANAH 5758

Jewish Holiday Crossword Puzzle



CROSS WORD CLUES

ACROSS

1. When is Yom Kippur over.
2. The day of repentant
3. Head of the Year Holiday
4. We read this book every Shabbat
5. You build it for sukkot
6. The festival of Spring

DOWN

1. The festival of tents
2. The queen of King Ahasveros
3. You read this book on the Eve of Passover
4. Ending and starting of the Torah

ANSWERS ON NEXT ISSUE!